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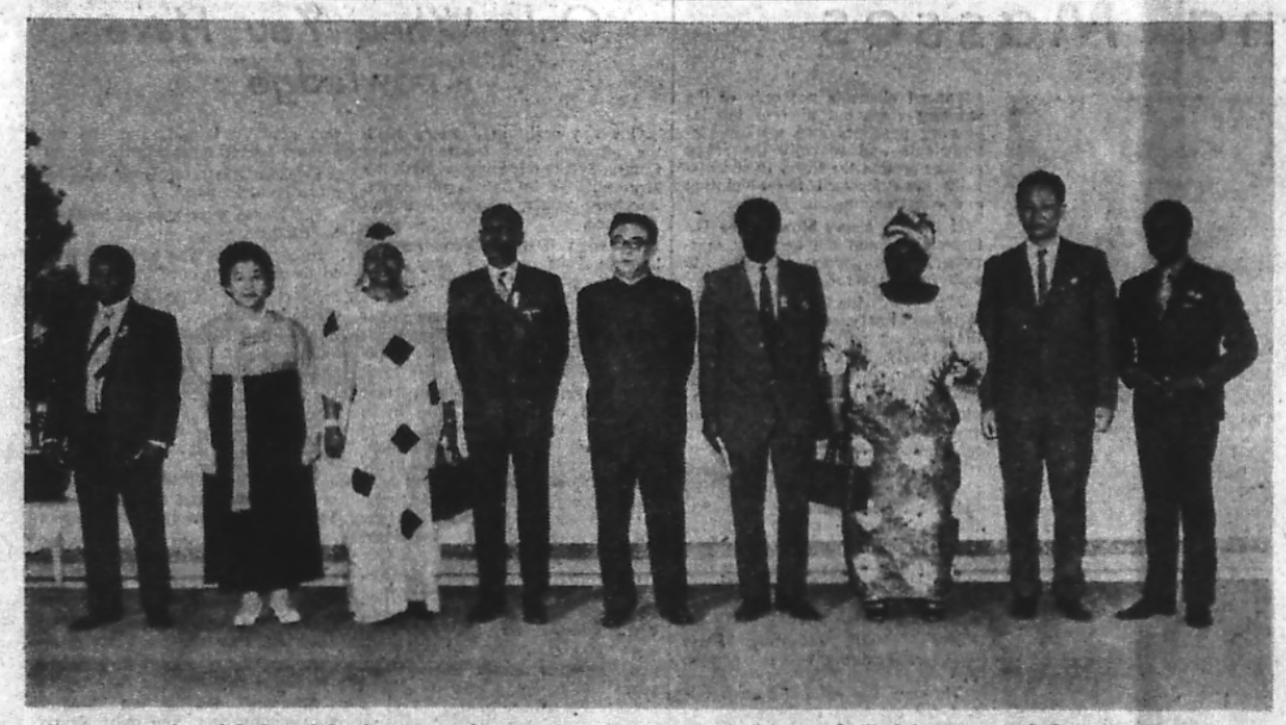

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung poses with the goodwill delegation including family members of the President of the Republic of Sierra Leone, after receiving them

Comrade KIM IL SUNG, the Respected and Beloved Leader, Receives Foreign Guests

Goodwill Delegation Including Family Members of RSL President

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on May 11 the goodwill delegation including family members of the President of the Republic of Sierra Leone on a visit to our country.

Present on the occasion were Christian Egbert Stevens, eldest son of RSL President Siaka Probyn Stevens, and his wife and other members of the delegation headed by Joseph Almami Conteh, Member of the Central Committee of the All People's Congress, and Vice-Minister of Mining, of the RSL.

Also present were Kim Sok Gi, Chairman of the Education Committee, and Kim Jong Suk, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said that he was delighted by President Siaka Probyn Stevens' dispatch of the delegation. The respected and beloved leader warmly welcomed the visit of the guests to our country and had a conversation with them in an atmosphere of cordiality and friendship.

The delegation courteously conveyed to the respected and beloved leader friendly greetings from His Excellency Siaka Probyn Stevens, President of the RSL.

The respected and beloved leader expressed thanks for this and asked the guests to convey, upon their return home, his warm greetings to His Excellency President Siaka Probyn Stevens.

Delegation of National Council of Arab Republic of Egypt

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on May 10 the delegation of the National Council of the Arab Republic of Egypt on a visit to our country.

Present were the members of the delegation headed by Mohamed Abdel Kader Hatem, General Inspector of the National Council of the ARE.

Vice-Premier Pak Sung Chul and Minister of Culture and Art Li Chang Son were also present.

Also on hand was Mohamed Shafik Sadek Ragab, Charge d'Affaires ad interim of the ARE in Pyongyang.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly welcomed the visit of the delegation to our country and had a conversation with them in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

On the occasion the head of the delegation courteously conveyed to the great leader the warm greetings of His Excellency Anwar El Sadat, President of the ARE.

The Respected and Beloved Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Receives Congratulatory Group of Koreans from Japan

The great leader of our Party and our people Comrade Kim Il Sung received on May 5 the congratulatory group of Koreans from Japan for celebration of the 63rd birthday of the great leader, which is spending significant days in the glorious socialist homeland.

Present were Li Jin Gyu, Vice-Chairman of the Central Standing Committee of Chongryon (the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan) and head of the congratulatory group of Koreans from Japan for celebration of the 63rd birthday of the great leader Marshal Kim Il Sung, and the members of the group.

Comrade Kim Jung Rin and personage concerned Li Chong Il were also on hand.

The members of the congratulatory group who had the honour of being received in audience by the fatherly leader whom they have always wholeheartedly revered and held in high esteem, shouted again and again at the top of their voices "Long live the great leader Marshal Kim Il Sung!" and, choked with emotion, extended highest honour and warmest thanks to the respected and beloved leader, representing the unanimous feelings of allegiance of the 600,000 compatriots in Japan.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly shook hands with every member of the congratulatory group and had a talk in a cordial atmosphere.

The respected and beloved leader praised the Chongryon functionaries and compatriots in Japan who, rallied close around the Chongryon organization, have fought well for the democratic, national rights and the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, and gave them a highly important teaching to be a guideline for Chongryon in its work.

The members of the congratulatory group confirmed their firm determination to bear the important teaching of the respected and beloved leader deep in mind and carry it through and thus repay with allegiance the deep trust and solicitude of the fatherly leader. They reverentially wished the great leader Marshal Kim Il Sung good health and a long life for the reunification of the country and prosperity of the generations to come.

The fatherly leader posed for a photograph with the members of the congratulatory group.

On the same day the great leader arranged luncheon in honour of the congratulatory group of Koreans from Japan.

The Respected and Beloved Leader President KIM IL SUNG

Receives Credentials from New Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Empire of Iran to DPRK

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on May 7 credentials from Ahmed Ali Bahrami, new Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Empire of Iran to our country.

Present at the presentation ceremony were Rim Chun Chu, Secretary of the Central People's Committee of the DPRK, Chon Myong Su, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, Li In Chun, Director of the First Protocol Department of the Foreign Ministry, and a staffer of the Embassy of the Empire of Iran in Pyongyang.

After receiving the credentials, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly welcomed him for his assumption of office as new ambassador of the Empire of Iran to our country and had a conversation with him in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

The great leader expressed thanks for this and asked the head of the delegation to convey his warm greetings to President Anwar El Sadat, friend and brother. And he spoke about the revolution and the work of construction our people are carrying on under the banner of the three revolutions.

We witnessed in Korea the very great and wonderful progress made on the basis of the principles and ideas propounded by President Kim Il Sung, the head of the delegation said. He underscored the great significance of the principles and ideas put forward by the great leader.

The head of the delegation said that he could not find a proper word to express the brilliant far-sightedness of the great President.

The head of the delegation conveyed to the great leader a gift with best wishes.

Delegation of National Council for Normalization of Diplomatic Relations between Japan and Korea

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on May 8 the delegation of the National Council for the Normalization of Diplomatic Relations between Japan and Korea

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TELEGRAMS

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to **Siaka Probyn Stevens**, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone, on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the proclamation of the RSL.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to King **Carl the 16th Gustaf** of the Kingdom of Sweden on the occasion of the national day of the Kingdom of Sweden.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, and Comrade **Kim Il**, Premier of the Administration Council of the DPRK, received a message from Samdech **Norodom Sihanouk**, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, Samdech **Penn Nouth**, Chairman of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the NUFK and Prime Minister of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, and **Khieu Samphan**, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Defence of the RGNUC, in reply to their message of greetings sent in connection with the liberation of Phnom Penh by the Cambodian National Liberation People's Armed Forces.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the CC of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the DPRK, received a message from Comrade **Nicolae Ceausescu**, General Secretary of the Romanian Communist Party, in reply to his message of greetings sent on the latter's reelection as President of the Romanian Socialist Republic.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Hafez Al Assad**, President of the Syrian Arab Republic, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the occasion of the Day of Sytjan Revolution.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Chaudhri Fazal Elahi**, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the occasion of the Day of Pakistan.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **El Hadj Ahmadou Ahidjo**, in reply to his message of greetings sent upon the latter's reelection as President of the United Republic of Cameroon.

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG Sees 2,500-h.p. Diesel Engine "Kumsong" Manufactured by Our Workers and Technicians

The great leader of our Party and our people Comrade Kim Il Sung went to the Kim Jong Tae Electric Locomotive Plant on the morning of May 7 and saw the 2,500-h.p. diesel engine "Kumsong" which the workers and technicians of the plant and the members of the three-revolution team dispatched to it manufactured by fully displaying the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance, true to the teaching of the fatherly leader on rapidly developing the railway transport.

The employees of this plant were overwhelmed with the infinite joy of meeting again in their plant the fatherly leader whom they have revered awake or asleep and with the unbounded emotion over showing to the respected and beloved leader the 2,500-h.p. diesel engine, one more creation of loyalty, which they manufactured in two months or more by pooling their efforts and wisdom, displaying the spirit of self-reliance and waging a hard struggle.

Seen in the compound of the plant were streamers "Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and "Long live the glorious Workers' Party of Korea!" The fatherly leader was courteously met on the spot by Comrade Yon Hyong Muk, Hyon Mu Gwang and Kang Song San and personages concerned and responsible functionaries of the plant.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung acquainted himself in detail with the capacity and traction of the 2,500-h.p. diesel engine built by the workers of the plant. He got into the engine to see its interior and watched its operation. He expressed his satisfaction with the fact that the workers there successfully built this modern and highly efficient diesel engine in a short period with their own designs, materials and technique in the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung highly praised the workers of the plant for their manufacture of the 2,500-h.p. diesel engine in 60 days or more and paid a high tribute to the devoted labour drive of the workers and technicians of the plant who have distinguished themselves in the production of the diesel engine and of the workers and the technicians of the Pukjung Machine Plant, the Taean Electrical Machinery Plant and other machine plants, which participated in the cooperative production of accessories of the diesel engine.

The manufacture of the 2,500-h.p. diesel engine is a brilliant fruition of the wise leadership of the great leader who founded the Juche-based machine-building industry in this land and has strengthened and developed it, and marks a new turn in the production of the rolling stock in our country.

By successfully manufacturing a diesel engine which is more complex in structure than that of an electric locomotive, the workers of this plant have brought our rolling stock industry onto a higher stage and have come to creditably carry through the teachings of the fatherly leader on modernizing the railways and easing strain on the railway transport.

The production of the 2,500-h.p. diesel engine is, indeed, a brilliant fruition of the allegiance of the workers of the plant to lessen the cares of the fatherly leader and bring joy to him; this is another event demonstrating the might of the Juche-based machine-building industry of our country.

The workers and technicians of the plant, on the basis of the experiences accumulated in the trial production of the 2,500-h.p. diesel engine, have laid a solid material and technical foundation of its production processes and set out on a serial production.

Laying stress on building diesel engines more and better, the great leader taught that in line with the Party's policy of carrying on the electrification of railways in combination with the introduction of diesel traction, the electrification of railways should be energetically carried out along with the mass production and extensive use of diesel engines.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung looked around the youth processing shop.

After seeing this shop, the fatherly leader said that this plant has many efficient machines and taught that labour force should be organized well and all machines be operated in full capacity so as to turn out in large quantities machines and equipment and accessories needed for the railway transport.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung examines the 2,500-h.p. diesel engine "Kumsong" manufactured by the workers and technicians of the Kim Jong Tae Electric Locomotive Plant

'A VISIT TO THE MUSEUM OF PARTY FOUNDING HISTORY

For Establishment of a United Party of the Working Masses

Displayed in Room No. 6 of this Museum are materials which show that under the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung the tasks of anti-imperialist, anti-feudal, democratic revolution were successfully carried out in the northern half of the Republic and in this course our Party further grew and developed politically and ideologically.

After seeing around the room, we were conducted by the curator into Room No. 7, the last section of the Museum.

Hung in place of honour on a wall was a picture of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung making a report at the Inaugural Congress of the Workers' Party. Seen beside it is his instruction written in golden letters, which runs:

"Disunity of the working masses constitutes the greatest danger in their life-and-death struggle with the enemy. In order to achieve our fighting task victoriously, the working masses should stand together more firmly and forge closer unity. Most decisive of all to the fulfilment of the great democratic tasks facing the Korean people is the formation of a unified general staff of the working masses, the sole militant vanguard of the working people. This problem could only be solved by founding the Workers' Party."

Quoting this teaching of the leader, the curator told us that to transform the Communist Party into a Workers' Party, a mass-based party, was a question of great urgency in the light of the prevailing political situation in Korea and the prospects for revolutionary advance and the demand of the development of the Party itself.

Our Party and people were then confronted with the task to further consolidate the revolutionary democratic base established in the north and make the transition to socialism by constantly advancing the revolution and to smash the ever-intensified colonial enslavement policy and nation-splitting manoeuvre of US imperialism and achieve the reunification of the country.

In order to successfully carry out this task, first of all, the unity and cohesion of the working class and other working people should be strengthened and the democratic forces throughout the country be firmly rallied.

At the time, however, the working masses remained divided because of the existence of different political parties. This could not but be an obstacle to strengthening their unity and cohesion in an organized way.

Having analysed such prevailing situation, the great leader formulated a wise line of merging the Communist Party with the other parties of the working people to develop it into the Workers' Party, a mass-based party capable of guaranteeing unified leadership for all the working people.

Stressing that, even after the merger, the Party must remain a Marxist-Leninist party in essence just as it had been, the leader clearly elucidated the principles that must be observed in building a mass-based party.

The leader's policy of founding the Workers' Party was the wisest one which enabled the working masses to frustrate the enemy's manoeuvrings for breakup of the revolutionary forces of the working people and rallied the broader working masses around the Party to powerfully arouse them to the revolutionary struggle.

Put on show in the room are materials which explain that the great leader called a joint enlarged meeting of the Central Committees of the Communist Party and the New Democratic Party in July 1946 to decide to merge the two parties into a single one and that, afterwards, the merger of the lower level organizations of both parties was successfully carried out in a very short span of time under his wise leadership.

On display in the room are also materials which indicate that the great leader convened and guided the Inaugural Congress of the Workers' Party in Pyongyang on August 28, 1946.

At the Congress, the respected and beloved leader made a historic report entitled "For the Establishment of a United Party of the Working Masses".

Pointing to the text of his report placed carefully on a display-stand, the curator gave us a detailed account of the content of the report in which the leader reviewed and made an overall analysis of the successes gained in the revolutionary struggle of the past year and clearly defined the significance of the merger, the character of the Workers' Party and the basic task before it.

The leader's report, a classic document that gave completely correct answers to questions of principle arising in the building of a mass-based party, became the guiding principle for strengthening and developing our Party.

The Congress inaugurated the Workers' Party in line with the leader's policy, adopted the Party Programme and Rules, and decided to publish newspaper "Rodong Sinmun" and theoretical magazine "Kunroja" as organs of the Party Central Committee.

The founding of the Workers' Party by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader, was an epochal event of great significance in expanding and strengthening our revolutionary forces.

The establishment of the Workers' Party rendered it possible to develop our Party into a mass political party uniting in its ranks the advanced elements not only of the working class but also of the labouring peasants and working intellectuals and to rally the broad masses around the Party to successfully push forward the revolution and construction.

It dealt a heavy blow at the US imperialists and the domestic reactionaries who were scheming to split the democratic forces.

Moreover, the founding of the Workers' Party set an example in the building of a revolutionary mass party. This was of tremendous significance in that it further developed the Marxist-Leninist revolutionary theory on party building and enriched the experience of the international communist movement.

Exhibited on the next wall of the room are materials illustrating the fact that, after founding the Party, the great leader wisely led the struggle for consolidating the Party organizationally and ideologically—firmly building up the position of the Party's core elements, expanding and strengthening the Party's ranks, educating Party members, training cadres and so on.

Through the exhibited materials and the curator's explanation, we could understand well that, thanks to the wise leadership of the great leader and his energetic efforts, our Party has grown and strengthened into a powerful mass-based party with a membership of hundreds of thousands in a short span of time and that the Party organizations have been built up more solidly and their fighting efficiency has been enhanced beyond measure.

Leaving the Museum, our hearts swelled with the infinite feelings of respect and reverence for the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung who had made firm organizational and ideological preparations for the founding of the party, experiencing all sorts of difficulties and trials in the arduous days of the anti-Japanese armed struggle and, on this basis, founded our Party in good time under the difficult and complex circumstances after liberation and has strengthened and developed it, and we renewed our strong determination to practice loyalty to him till the end of the sun and the moon.

Kim Ik Gwon

The Leader of the People

"You Can Look Ahead Only When You Have Knowledge"

One day early in January 1949, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung visited the farm villages in Sain sub-county, Sunchon county, South Pyongan Province.

He went first to Wondong-village in Toksan-*ri* and acquired a detailed grasp of the living conditions of the farmers, the work of the Party cell and the Party members' study. And then he gave them the exceptionally important teachings.

In particular, he stressed that the Party cell should bring home to its members the decisions of the Second Party Congress on cementing the unity and cohesion of the Party, and that it should conduct well politico-ideological education among them so that they get prepared politically and ideologically.

He called the cell study instructor to his side and asked him how he was guiding the study and whether he had any troubles in his work, and then read through his lecture plan carefully and explained to him in detail how he should prepare the lecture plan.

That evening the leader went to Samhwa-*ri* and saw by himself how the Party members were studying.

The newly-built spacious publicity hall was packed with the Party members in the village. Happy mood reigned all over, honoured by his presence.

Seating himself on an ordinary wooden chair in their company, the leader said to them that he came to informally attend their study session and urged them to go ahead.

The instructor straightened himself and resumed his lecture in an excited tone.

The subject dealt was "On the significance of the democratic reforms".

The instructor's lecture was followed by the discussion.

After hearing the Party members' discussion to the last, he asked them a few questions.

Through the discussion and the subsequent conversation he got a definite idea about the degree of their understanding. He said that they did not know exactly what was actually taught, and he explained to them the significance of the democratic reforms in easy-to-understand terms.

His words were brought home to their minds.

In fact, those who had contributed to discussion only touched upon the fact that they had become well-off as a result of the democratic reforms but failed to refer to the landlords and capitalists, the class enemies who were dead set against the reforms.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung spoke to them in the following vein:

The Party members should not only work well but also study hard. You should read the newspapers carefully. Women should not neglect to study. All the Party members should study hard and well. Why? It is because you cannot look ahead unless you do hard studying. How can the Party members lead the masses if they fail to see things ahead?

Studying should not become phrasemongering. You must clearly understand the contents. It is useless to make speech without knowing the contents. You have got to know things clearly and substantially if you have to know only one of them.

The study session closed late at the night.

Winter hail was falling outside. Leaving the village, the leader shook hands with the Party members one by one and encouraged them, earnestly saying: **"Study hard and well. You can look ahead only when you have knowledge."**

They were moved to the depths of their hearts by the tender affection of the fatherly leader, who had visited even the Party cell in an unknown farm village despite of the claims of busy state affairs and kindly looked after and encouraged them.

They reaffirmed their determination to equip themselves more thoroughly with the great leader's revolutionary ideas and fight on dynamically along the road of revolution indicated by him.

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on a visit to our country.

Present were the members of the delegation headed by Shoichi Miyake, Member of the House of Representatives of Japan and Adviser to the Japan Socialist Party.

Kim Gwan Sop, Chairman, and Hwang Nae Ik, Vice-Chairman, of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, were also present.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly welcomed the visit of the delegation to our country and expressed, on behalf of the entire Korean people, thanks to the guests for their encouragement to our people in the building of socialism and the work for the country's reunification, and had a talk with them in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

The head of the delegation said that in Korea he was very deeply moved to see the entire people united around His Excellency President Kim Il Sung and building socialism very splendidly.

Saying that the Asian people should play the role of master in Asia, the great leader manifested the conviction that if the Korean and Japanese peoples unite and wage a joint struggle, they will repulse the foreign interference and surely win victory in the struggle for building an independent and sovereign state. The great leader expressed thanks to the Japanese people for their invariable support to our people's struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

The head of the delegation expressed deep thanks to the great leader for granting an audience to it despite much claims on his time with state affairs. He wished His Excellency President good health and a long life for the reunification of Korea and hoped for greater success in the work of His Excellency President who holds the leading position in the third world.

Bulgarian Trade Union Delegation

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on May 10 the Bulgarian trade union delegation on a visit to our country.

Present were the members of the delegation headed by Misho Mishev, Member of the Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party and Chairman of the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Trade Union.

On hand were Ryom Tae Jun, Chairman, and Song Ho Gyong, Vice-Chairman, of the Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea.

Khristo Kelchev, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Bulgarian People's Republic to our country, was also present.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly welcomed the visit of the delegation to our country and had a talk with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

On the same day the great leader arranged a luncheon in honour of the delegation.

Managing Editor of Sierra Leonean Newspaper "The Sunday Flash" and Her Husband

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on May 11 Mrs. D. Bona Allen, Managing Editor of the Sierra Leonean newspaper "The Sunday Flash," and her husband Alex Alfred Allen on a visit to our country.

Present on the occasion was Kim Gwan Sop, Chairman of the Committee for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly welcomed the visit of the guests to our country and had a conversation with them in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

The Managing Editor said that it was an honour for them to be received by the great leader and that during their stay in Korea they were deeply impressed by the brilliant achievements of the Korean people under the wise leadership of His Excellency President Kim Il Sung, the great leader. She expressed the conviction that the day when Korea would be reunified under the leadership of His Excellency President would surely come.

New Representative of Palestine Liberation Organization

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on May 7 Marwan Hassan Abdullah, new representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization in our country.

Chon Myong Su, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, was present on the occasion.

The representative courteously conveyed a personal letter of Yassir Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the PLO, to the great leader.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung expressed thanks for the cordial, fraternal and militant personal letter of Chairman Yassir Arafat, warmly welcomed Marwan Hassan Abdullah's assumption of office as new representative of the PLO in our country and had a talk with him in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

The representative conveyed to the great leader a sincere gift from Yassir Arafat, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the PLO.

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Republic of Indonesia to DPRK

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on May 8 Mukijat, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Indonesia to our country who paid a farewell visit to him.

Chon Myong Su, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, was present on the occasion.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had a talk with the ambassador in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

Zambian Paper Carries Reminiscences of Anti-Japanese Guerrilla "As He Stands in the Van of Revolution"

According to a report from Lusaka, the April 25 issue of the Zambian paper "Daily Mail" carried the reminiscences "As He Stands in the Van of Revolution" contained in the book "For the Freedom and Liberation of the People" impressively telling about the great revolutionary ideas of the great revolutionary leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and genius in military strategy, his outstanding strategy and tactics and the sagacity of his leadership and his lofty virtues.

Carrying the reminiscences, the paper printed a preface under the title "Warm Congratulations on the 43rd Anniversary of the Founding of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army".

The paper said in the preface:

The great leader of the Korean people Comrade Kim Il Sung put forward the Juche-based line of the anti-Japanese armed struggle and founded the Korean People's Revolutionary Army, the first revolutionary armed force of the Korean people, on April 25, 1932.

The Korean people who had their genuine revolutionary armed force for the first time under the wise leadership of the great leader of the Korean people Comrade Kim Il Sung rose in the nationwide revolutionary struggle with a desire for national resurrection and firm conviction of victory and won a great victory.

The heroic anti-Japanese armed struggle which was crowned with a brilliant victory under the rays of the immortal Juche idea of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is of great historic significance in the development of the Korean revolution and the world revolution.

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Striking Demonstration of Validity of DPRK Government's Foreign Policy

The DPRK Admitted into the WMO

The Seventh Conference of the World Meteorological Organization adopted a decision on the admission of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea into the WMO as its official member state on May 7. A report says that a draft resolution co-sponsored by Algeria and 53 other states calling for the DPRK's admission into the WMO was passed at the conference by an overwhelming majority — 96 for, 0 against and 17 abstained. This affords a glaring proof of the ever-rising international authority and prestige of our Republic and means an irretrievable failure of the US imperialists and their lackeys in their policy of isolating and blockading us.

We Korean people hail with great pleasure the WMO's decision on our Republic's admission as its official member state and express thanks to the 51 co-sponsor states for their strenuous efforts for our admission and to all other countries for their support.

The DPRK's admission into the WMO is another brilliant fruition of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung's immortal Juche idea and of the DPRK's independent, principled and just foreign policy formulated by him.

The Government of our Republic firmly maintains independence in all its external activities and develops, on the principle of equality and mutual benefit, the relations of friendship and cooperation with all the countries which are friendly toward us, and always resolutely supports the world people in their just struggle.

Our Republic which became an independent, prosperous socialist power under the wise guidance of the leader is exerting ever greater influence upon the international affairs. Our fair and reasonable foreign policy is winning strong support and approval from the broad sections of the people in the world.

Nowadays, more and more international organizations and bodies admit our country as their member state and many countries recognize our Republic and establish diplomatic relations with it and endeavour to strengthen and develop friendship and solidarity with it. This is an irresistible world-wide trend.

The DPRK's admission into the WMO is in full accord with the aim and mission of this organization.

The WMO's mission is to form a world-wide network for meteorological observation, build and maintain meteorological centres, establish a system for the quick exchange of meteorological informations and conduct other activities for the development of international cooperation in the meteorological field.

Our country has the material and technical foundations solid enough to help discharge this mission successfully.

With our admission into the WMO we have become able to conduct more positive activities than before for the common interests together with various countries of the world and make better contribution to the work of this organization.

Our admission fully reflects the new, changed order in the settlement of international affairs.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"Now it is the oppressed people who have a say on the world scene."

In the past the imperialists handled and solved international problems arbitrarily for their own interests. But such old international order has been shattered to pieces. At present all problems are solved fairly to suit the people's just cause with the active participation of the peoples of socialist countries and many third world countries.

The US imperialists tried by hook or by crook to prevent our admission into the WMO, but all their attempts proved unworkable and their isolation was further precipitated at the conference.

Meanwhile, at the dictates of their master US imperialism the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique indulged in a ridiculous machination to use our admission into the WMO as an expedient for their plot to create "two Koreas," prattling that they hoped the DPRK's admission "would become a prelude to a UN admission".

Their machination, however, met with a strong rebuff from the attendants of the conference, and their nature as the national splittists and traitors to the nation was brought to full light.

The DPRK's admission into the WMO despite the obstructionist manoeuvres of US imperialism and its stooges has glaringly shown that the once oppressed people have now a full say on the international arena and that unless their will and interests are reflected any demand of the imperialists is untenable and a resolution or decision is hardly adoptable at any conferences.

Our people deem it a great pride to have a large number of supporters and sympathizers in all parts of the world.

We will take an active part in the work of the WMO and will strive for realization of its aim and tasks.

Diplomatic Relations between DPRK and Kingdom of Thailand Established at Ambassadorial Level

A joint statement on the establishment of diplomatic relations and exchange of diplomatic missions between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Kingdom of Thailand was released in Bangkok on May 8, according to a report.

The joint statement said:

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand agreed to establish diplomatic relations and exchange diplomatic representatives at ambassadorial level between the two countries to develop the friendly and cooperative relations in all fields on the principles of complete equality, mutual benefits, mutual respect of sovereignty and non-interference in each other's internal affairs.

The joint statement was signed, entrusted by their respective governments, by Cha Byong Ok, ambassador of the Foreign Ministry of the DPRK, and Vikorm Ninnad, ambassador of the Foreign Ministry of the Kingdom of Thailand.

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Superiority of Universal Compulsory 11-Year Education

The Fifth Session of the Fifth Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea held in April this year adopted a decision to fully introduce the universal compulsory eleven-year education in all districts of the country as from coming September 1, the opening day of school for a fresh term.

Our country started to introduce the new compulsory education in September 1972 through a stage of nation-wide experiment. Six-year olds receiving the universal compulsory ten-year senior middle school education accounted for 20 per cent of the school-age children in 1972, 60 per cent in 1973 and 100 per cent in 1974, and 100 per cent of the five-year old children throughout the country came to undergo the compulsory one-year preschool training in 1974. This owed to the wise guidance of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"All our students, from primary school children to university students, are now receiving free education, and the preschool children are happily growing up in nurseries and kindergartens at State and public expenses. In particular, with the introduction of universal compulsory ten-year senior middle school education which gives ten years of schooling, plus one year of compulsory preschool training, our younger generation are receiving eleven years of perfect secondary general education by the benefit of the State. Virtually this is an eleven-year compulsory education, which means that the most advanced compulsory education in the world is given in this country."

The four-year-long experience gained in the introduction of the universal compulsory eleven-year education initiated personally by the great leader proved that this new system of compulsory education is most advanced and excellent.

Longest Term of Compulsory Education

The superiority of the new system of eleven-year compulsory education is to be found, first of all, in the fact that it represents the most advanced system of education in which the longest term of compulsory education is given to all those belonging to the rising generation from the age of five to working age.

Our new system of compulsory education is a grateful educational system under which all the children receive compulsory education from the time of their kindergarten training till they grow up to be social beings capable of conducting an independent activity in society, and this is to meet the requirements of the Juche idea in which man's independence is treasured to the fullest extent and man is treated as the most precious in the world.

This shows that our compulsory education is fundamentally different from the so-called "compulsory education" given in exploiter society where the children of the toiling masses who form the overwhelming majority of the population are forced to begin labour before working age and become handicapped physically and mentally and where man's independence is trampled underfoot.

In our country the labour of children who are under working age is prohibited by the Constitution.

Compulsory Education Entirely Free

Another superiority of our compulsory education finds its expression in the fact that it is a substantial and popular compulsory education which is given entirely free of charge.

In our country entirely free education has been conducted long since. Today over 5.6 million students or one-third of the whole population are receiving the universal compulsory eleven-year education. Those who learn and grow up entirely at State expenses, the children of nurseries and kindergartens put together, make up a half of the population. Our younger generation study without paying a penny. They are supplied with good school things and textbooks by the State and are issued uniforms at the turn of seasons. The students of institutions of higher learning and higher specialized schools are granted scholarships.

This policy in which the State is fully responsible for the education of all our rising generation is permeated with the lofty idea of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung who stints nothing for their happiness and future.

As is shown by the so-called "compulsory education" enforced in capitalist countries nowadays, a compulsory education which is not free is, in fact, no more than an empty talk. In exploiter society the children of working people are denied access to schools, unable to meet the fabulous amount of school expenses. Even those children attending schools are expelled for want of money.

In south Korea which has been reduced to a complete colony of US imperialism, covering the course from primary school to university costs a student 5.226 million won or as much as the wages to be earned by an ordinary worker for 14 years. Small wonder more than three million schoolable children are roaming about the streets with empty cans in their hands.

Perfect Secondary Education

Still another superiority of the universal compulsory eleven-year education lies in the fact that perfect secondary education is given to all our growing generation.

It is quite important to the students in successfully passing through the whole course of compulsory education to establish a well-regulated system that will properly secure the ties between the primary, secondary and higher educations.

Our new system of the compulsory education consists of one-year course of preschool training, four-year course of primary education and six-year course of secondary education. Experience showed that this is most scientific and reasonable in perfecting the secondary education of the younger generation. The one-year course of compulsory preschool training not only makes the ties between the preschool and primary educations close but also helps raise the level of primary education still more. The four-year course of primary education is enough to build up ample basic knowledge for the secondary education, and the six-year course of secondary education is adequate to giving such a high level of education as to perfect it.

In this way, our new system of compulsory education facilitates the process from the preschool training to the primary education, from the primary education to the secondary education and from the lower stage of secondary education to the higher one, and keeps the ties of systematic education between them well-knit and well-balanced.

Under this new system the compulsory education given to all our rising generation is exactly the same in content, whether it is conducted in town or country. It is diametrically different from the discriminate educational system in capitalist countries under which secondary education is divided into several categories so that general education is given exclusively to the children of a handful of the privileged classes while one-sided "professional education" is imposed upon those of the working people from their childhood. In a word, ours is an educational system which is equally open to all.

By the benefit of the new system of compulsory education all our rising generation are allowed to receive perfect secondary general education and the basic technological education all alike to become able workers.

Most Revolutionary Educational System

One more superiority of the universal compulsory eleven-year education is to be explained from the fact that it is a revolutionary educational system which trains our younger generation to be reliable successors to the revolution who are firmly equipped with the essentials of the revolutionary world outlook and thus contributes to the promotion of our historic cause of imbuing the whole society with the Juche idea.

This new educational system of ours sets it as its first and foremost task to embody the principle of socialist pedagogy, a scientific doctrine fathered by the great leader for the training of revolutionary workers, and bring up the rising generation into the Juche-type communist revolutionaries firmly armed with his great revolutionary idea, the Juche idea. The basic principle of socialist pedagogy is to train people to be dependable revolutionary workers equipped with the ideology, knowledge and strong physique that will enable them to take part in the revolution and construction as masters.

Under the new system of compulsory education all the students are successfully trained to be new type of men developed in an all-round way during the period of compulsory education—men who are firmly equipped with the essentials of the revolutionary world outlook and are possessed of wide knowledge, lofty virtue and sound body.

This differs radically from the capitalist system of education under which reactionary education is given to the students under the catchword of "pure education" and "knowledge-first policy" and thus reduces them to the "faithful servants" of the exploiting classes and "appendages to machines" and infects them with extreme selfishness.

Under our revolutionary educational system the new generation are growing up into ardent, Juche-type revolutionaries who are infinitely loyal to the fatherly leader and the Party and devote themselves to the struggle for the revolution, instead of trying to get promoted or earn money, and they are preparing themselves fully as new communist type of men who are eager to work and protect and take good care of State and social property and who live and struggle under the motto "One for all and all for one" and as social beings who have the independent and creative spirit.

It is obvious that this is a truly good education, an excellent educational system.

The complete switchover to the universal compulsory eleven-year education the advantages of which have been confirmed by actual life—this is a resplendent victory for the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung's Juche-oriented thought of education. It is a great event which will shine forever in the history of our country.

Indeed, with the successful introduction of this new compulsory education in our country, the century-old desire of our people to give their children best education has been realized most successfully and, moreover, it will be possible to win the final victory of our revolution and greet the brilliant future of communism at an earlier date by vigorously accelerating the three revolutions, ideological, technical and cultural.

Chang Ik Su

"The World Knows No Such a Complete System of Free Medical Care"

by Fernando van Dunem

I had the honour to visit the South Pyongan Provincial Central Hospital. This is very gratifying to me.

The hospital was built under the care of President Kim Il Sung who attaches much importance to the people's health like Kim Hyong Jik, his father and the one-time physician, did.

This hospital is fitted with the most up-to-date equipment, able to tackle even the most difficult problems arising in the present-day medical science.

What impressed me greatly was that doctors of the hospital were very young.

I saw two young patients who were under the care of the neurosurgical department. The one was a case of cranial traumatism and the other a case of compact osteomas of the skull.

I happened to examine the ante- and post-operation X-ray pictures and hear the explanation of a doctor. This brought to my immediate knowledge the fact that the operation skill was on a very high level.

The patient who suffered from compact osteomas of the skull was in good conditions. This operation was harder to perform than the first but was successfully conducted by a young neurosurgeon.

I may as well add that many countries, exploiter societies in particular, have only a few doctors capable of conducting this sort of operation.

I saw still another patient—a young girl who had suffered 15 comminuted fractures on her legs.

In Korea where man is most valued, new moral qualities are brought out in the people — the readiness to willingly donate even their bones and flesh for the rescue of others' lives.

It was also the case with the said girl. I was told that youth, students, soldiers, workers and farmers as well as the staff of the hospital donated their bones to cure this girl. Such noble humanness and revolutionary character are rarely to be found elsewhere in the world, I believe.

Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great Marxist-Leninist and revolutionary philosopher in our era, taught:

"...the keynote of medical science under socialism is disease prevention. In other words, it is to take the preventive measures lest the working people should contract diseases. It can, therefore, be said that medical science under socialism is precisely the preventive medicine."

Marshal Kim Il Sung set up hospitals in the guerilla bases-liberated areas far back in the years of the anti-Japanese armed struggle— hospitals where such a revolutionary method (the method of preventive medicine) was applied.

The contemporary preventive medicine initiated by Marshal Kim Il Sung is even unthinkable in the countries of exploiting class where the medical service is simply reduced to a commerce or a means of exploitation.

Cases of various epidemics such as cholera, smallpox, syphilis and leprosy are observed often enough among the people belonging to exploited class in capitalist countries.

In the years of the anti-Japanese armed struggle Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great leader of the Korean people, introduced the system of free medical care in the guerilla bases-liberated areas even though a day hardly passed without witnessing the bloody battle against Japanese imperialism.

Furthermore, he formally incorporated in the Ten-Point Programme of the Association for the Restoration of the Fatherland his great plan to establish the system of free medical care.

The great plan worked out by the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il Sung was carried out splendidly in the northern half of the Republic after liberation.

Besides, Marshal Kim Il Sung established the system of paid leave.

I would like to frankly say that the world knows no such a complete system of free medical care.

President Kim Il Sung, the great Marxist-Leninist, national hero, iron-willed brilliant commander and great leader of the international communist and working-class movements, taught:

"In view of the characteristic of their profession and the importance of their task, the public health workers should become communists before anyone else does and the most staunch communists at that."

It is this teaching that furnishes the secret of the great successes achieved by the Korean medical workers.

They are true communists, above all.

The peoples of the newly-independent African countries should try hard to learn, in the building of their countries, President Kim Il Sung's great Juche idea and his unique policy applied to the modern medical science.

The Juche idea is a beacon fire that blazes the path for the people of all the politically-independent countries to follow.

The Juche idea, and the lines and policies in which this idea is embodied, are the great revolutionary idea, lines and policies in our era that have brought about a revolution in medical science.

Long live President Kim Il Sung's Juche idea applied to the modern medical science!

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They are pupils of the Kuji-gol primary school in Unha-ri, Yangdok county, South Pyongan Province. Their school is situated in a mountain recess in the central part of Korea.

They are out for joyous extra-curricular activities just after their lesson. They are the blessed rising generation who grow stoutly into the builders of socialism and communism possessed of wide knowledge, lofty virtue and sound body. Their faces are filled with immense hope and happiness.

Photo by Chong Ui Ryol

Even healthy children undergo regular physical checkup under the system of free medical care established by the fatherly leader
Photo by Choe Gyong Sik

Without Paying a Penny

Li Won Ryong, hewer of the Sudong Coal Mine, was discharged from the hospital attached to the Hamhung Medical College. He was nursed back to health after a protracted treatment though his seemed to be one of the hopeless cases at first.

Just before leaving the hospital the hewer and his family members, with tears in their eyes, warmly shook hands with the medical workers. They were overwhelmed with happiness and joy. They said over and over again that his resuscitation would be impossible but for our socialist system established by the fatherly leader Marshal Kim Il Sung.

He stayed in this hospital for more than 100 days. The medical workers gave him treatment in wholehearted sincerity, administering a lot of precious medicine to him and serving dietetic meals as well and, furthermore, giving him ten blood transfusions.

The hewer received medical care at state expenses over 20 times greater than his monthly wage. What is more, during his hospitalization he was granted the allowances for his six dependents by the state.

What would happen to the hewer and his family if they were living in an exploiter society like south Korea which was turned into a "kingdom of diseases" due to the anti-popular public health policy of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique? It is common occurrence in south Korea that the patients die in front of hospitals without receiving medical care, unable to pay the doctor's fees and some are detained in the hospital after treatment or are discharged leaving their sons as hostages simply because they cannot afford to pay a few thousand won of medical expenses.

Our Republic is indeed a country for the people, fully responsible for protecting their health and looking after their life in every respect.

One New World Record Established; 13 New National Records Set

At "Mangyongdae Prize" Competition

The "Mangyongdae Prize" Competition, which started on April 6 in Pyongyang, the capital of revolution, and local areas, closed with great success. The competition was held to mark the 63rd birthday of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of our Party and our people.

Kim Jong Hui, player of the National Defence Sports Team, established a new world record in the women's engined glider event. This means that our Juche-based sport is making rapid progress.

The new national records were set in 13 events—jerk and all-round events (60 kg.) and clean events (56 kg. and 67.5 kg.) in weight-lifting, and men's 200-m. freestyle relay, women's 100-m. freestyle relay and women's 200-m. butterfly stroke and women's 400-m. individual medley race in swimming, and women's 400-m. relay, 10,000-m. race and men's sail-plane event, women's 1,000-m. four-member parachute jumping and the clay pigeon event (2 marksmen).

Betterment of records in many events by our young sportsmen and sportswomen is an earnest of future success of Korean sport.

Splendid successes achieved at the recent competition are attributable to the fact that the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung indicated the most correct path of sports development and our players, acting on his teachings, have energetically striven to acquire the Juche-based sports techniques and tactics through intense training.

Potong-gang River—A Favourite Spot of the People

The Potong-gang River is nearly 60 kilometres long. A significant thing is that its water is harnessed to irrigate a wide expanse of fertile farmland lying on the basin. What is more significant is that the river meanders through Pyongyang, capital of revolution.

Along its former waterways there appeared a 9.2 km. long canal. On the lower reaches is laid out over 300 *chongbo* of modernly-furnished recreation ground for the pleasant rest of the working people and for their socialist patriotic education.

The riverside is thickly wooded like a big forest; tall buildings come into view amid luxuriant foliage through which the canal runs zigzag; riverside ponds are glimmering under the golden sunrays; working people are strolling down along the promenade ....The picturesque scene reminds us of a foreigner's remark: "As for Pyongyang, we can say the city itself lies in a park rather than there are parks in it."

But thirty years ago the people called the Potong-gang River a "river of calamity" or "river of resentment".

In the summer of 1942 before liberation, flood washed away over 1,500 houses, causing disasters to more than 50,000 poor people.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung taught:

"Under the socialist system, solicitude for man is the supreme principle."

After liberation, in order to carry out a grand plan for nature-remaking the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung proposed, to begin with, a project for the improvement of the river. On May 21, 1946, less than a year after liberation, he personally attended a ceremony to mark the start of the project and broke ground for it with a shovel in his hands. Immensely inspired by this, our people worked hard and completed the project in only 55 days, which the Japanese imperialists failed to carry out even in ten years.

Since then to this date, the leader gave instructions on over 170 occasions, indicating specific direction and ways for laying out the recreation ground. Thus the river has turned into a favourite haunt for the people.

The Potong-gang Monument was erected on the Ponghwa-san hill by the river to hand down to posterity the story of the fatherly leader's great affection associated with the river.

The recreation ground is robed in verdure. There are more than 100 kinds of trees including weeping-willow, white poplar and Pyongyang maple and a variety of fruit trees. There are also shrubs of magnolia, mugunghwa and other flower-bearing plants plus different kinds of flowers. A small zoo, children's playgrounds and various sports facilities add to the pleasure of working people who come to take rest there.

The Potong-gang River which has become a good pleasure resort under the rays of the fatherly leader's benevolence will flow on as eternally as our country prospers, singing of the leader's favour.

Kim In Gyu

Pak Jung Hi Puppet Clique Sure to Be Sternly Judged by History and People

Dual Lackey

Traitor Pak Jung Hi of south Korea was much alarmed by the prevailing situation in which his partners—the puppets of US imperialism—bit the dust one after the other in Indochina and the south Korean people daily intensified their struggle against fascism and for democracy. So, he recently sent the chairman of the puppet national assembly and the puppet prime minister respectively to the United States and Japan for discussion on the problem of south Korea's "security". Now, he is desperately trying to fan up war hysteria in south Korea under the pretext of the fictitious "threat of southward aggression".

The aim he pursues in this is to break the south Korean people's spirit of resistance and save himself from doom and to enjoy personal comfort all his life by placing south Korea and, further, the whole of Korea, at the disposal of his US and Japanese masters once and for all.

The treacherous acts of traitor Pak Jung Hi did not start yesterday or today.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung pointed out:

"While we Communists were waging 15 years of bloody struggle against Japanese imperialism, with weapons in our hands, for the freedom and independence of the country, the present south Korean rulers swore their allegiance to the Japanese 'Emperor' and perpetrated barbarities by brutally suppressing and slaughtering those revolutionaries and other patriots who rose in the anti-Japanese struggle. They are militaristic gangsters who, after the surrender of Japanese imperialism, changed their master and became faithful lackeys of the US imperialists, men who usurped power in a crooked way with the backing of the US imperialists."

Pak Jung Hi comes of a traitor's family.

His father Pak Song Bin was a traitor to the nation. When the Gabo Peasants' War in 1894 was launched in Korea against the Japanese aggressors and the feudal rulers, incapable flunkeys to big powers, he joined the "government troops" and mercilessly suppressed and murdered peasant insurgents.

Pak Jung Hi is the most wicked traitor like his father. He wrote in blood a pledge to be a running dog of Japanese imperialism, became a lieutenant of the Japanese army and took a hand in suppressing and massacring patriots, while the Korean Communists and patriotic people were engaged in the bloody struggle against the Japanese imperialists for 15 years.

After the US imperialist aggressor troops landed in south Korea following the defeat of the Japanese imperialists, he lost no time to change his master and become a stooge of US imperialism.

His treacherous acts against the nation and his devotion to the Yankees can be proved eloquently by the fact that he informed his masters, the US imperialists, against more than 1,600 of the patriotic armymen who rose in mutiny in Ryosu and Sunchon in October 1948 and his information led to the slaughtering of them.

His "distinguished service" earned him a favour from his master US imperialism. He got quick promotion under its wings from an ordinary puppet army officer to "a commander of intelligence unit" and then to "a commander of an artillery corps" and, further, up to "commander of the sixth district army". Finally he occupied the post of puppet 'president" on May 16, 1961.

No sooner had he come to "power" than he arrested, imprisoned and killed in the first one month more than 100,000 patriotic people in south Korea who were up in the anti-US, save-the-nation struggle. This was done in a desperate move to prop up the system of US imperialist colonial rule in south Korea which was crumbling beyond remedy.

In 1965 he flew into the United States and met Johnson, the then US President. He vowed before Johnson that he "will act with the United States in Asia under the Stars and Stripes".

After his return, he revised for the worse, as demanded by his masters, various kinds of treacherous, shackling "treaties", and "agreements" which his predecessors had concluded with the US imperialists. Thus, he helped them to become the real rulers who hold unrestricted power over south Korea in all domains, political, economic, military and cultural.

As ordered by the US imperialists, the Pak Jung Hi bandits even dispatched south Korean youth and middle-aged people totalling over 300,000 to the shamble of the war in South Viet Nam as bullet-shields of the US imperialist aggressor troops, only to die dog's death. He did so before any other puppets and sent there a greater number of people than they did. In return for this, Pak got 10-20 million dollars from his master the US imperialists every year. This thrice-cursed act was another naked revelation of his nature as an understrapper.

While rendering services to his US imperialist overlords, traitor Pak Jung Hi did not forget his old Japanese masters.

As soon as he got the "presidential" post of the puppet regime, he first paid a visit to the Japanese militarists who revealed their fangs, saying that they will "eat up south Korea in a big way as an elder brother". He pledged before them that he will live in the same "spirit as displayed by the loyalists" in the Meiji restoration of 1868 in Japan, calling them "father." Further, he resumed the "ROK-Japan talks" which his predecessors had failed to carry to conclusion, upset by the anti-Japanese sentiments of the Korean people. He then concluded the country-selling, disgraceful "ROK-Japan treaty" for a few dollars which he received as funds for "property claim". In this way he flung open the door for the Japanese militarists to reinvade south Korea. He transferred the concessions for the rich fishing grounds of south Korea, the ownership of industrial properties and even the right to exploit the continental shelf to the Japanese imperialists.

He goes the length of committing such an impermissible, treacherous act as offering south Korean women to the Japanese sensualists as their playthings to gratify their carnal desire, raving that "kisaeng tourism" is a profitable enterprise because it needs a little "raw materials and improves the stock by changing the troublesome Korean race into the brainy Japanese race and it serves double purposes".

In a word, Pak Jung Hi is the dirty, dyed-in-the-wool quisling and a dual lackey of US and Japanese reactionaries. He is such a traitor as to be unparalleled in the world and beyond human imagination. It is therefore obvious that he will be downed before long like Lon Nol and Thieu. So, such situation leaves him no alternative but to plead for his life, hanging on to the sleeves of his masters, the US imperialists and the Japanese militarists.

The downfall of Thieu in South Viet Nam and of Lon Nol in Cambodia came, neither because they obtained little confidence of their masters nor because they showed little enthusiasm in asking for their life.

There is no doubt that Pak Jung Hi will be thrown into a dustbin on the stage of history like his partners—the puppets of US imperialism.

Kim Dong Ok

Inevitable Is Downfall of Puppet Clique

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"The present developments show us that those who try to satisfy their ambition for power and enjoy personal honour and wealth in return for their betrayal of their country and nation as minions of imperialism will, without exception, be forsaken by history and come to a miserable end."

The Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are atremble in fear of their imminent ruin, now that the internal and external situation is changing unfavourably to them.

Traitor Pak Jung Hi is now terribly scared by the successive downfall of Lon Nol and Thieu, the twin-puppets of US imperialism who were engrossed in committing treacherous acts, in brandishing bayonets and playing recklessly with fire against their countries and nations. Small wonder that he professed his apprehension, saying: "I feel as if the Indochinese situation concerned my own affairs".

This is a last-ditch cry of the man who has a premonition of severe punishment the south Korean people will mete out for the treacherous, country-selling crimes he has so far committed, as well as of his miserable end to be caused by it.

Puppet Pak Jung Hi is, in fact, a dyed-in-the-wool lackey and traitor for all ages who is far more than a match for Lon Nol and Thieu in selling off the country and the nation, in brandishing swords as hangman and rendering faithful services to the imperialists as henchman.

This is well illustrated by the annals of the crimes he has perpetrated for the past 14 years from the day of his usurpation of power under the manipulation of US imperialism, May 16, 1961, to this date.

South Korea today has been turned into a dual colony of the US and Japanese aggressors, into a graveyard for democracy where all the public order is giving way to force of arms and where terrorism, murder, threat and blackmail are rampant, into a prison and a man-killing butchery. This is ascribable entirely to the Pak Jung Hi clique's treacherous, country-selling acts and their tyrannical military fascist rule.

As a result of their manoeuvres for national split, confrontation and war provocation, the north-south dialogue which opened with much difficulty is now brought to rupture, the prospect for Korea's peaceful reunification is blighted again and the situation is fraught with the grave dangers of perpetual division of the country and of war.

The last 14 years of history shows patently that unless an end is put to the military fascist dictatorship of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, neither the south Korean people's democratic freedoms and their right to existence nor the human rights and man's dignity can be secured, and the country's peaceful reunification, the long-cherished, greatest desire of the whole nation, can never be achieved.

It is therefore quite natural that the fascist tyranny of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and their treacherous, country-selling acts should arouse the indignation and resistance of the south Korean people who have long craved for democracy and national reunification.

The south Korean people, who have been threatened, blackmailed, appeased and deceived by the Pak Jung Hi fascist blackguards for the past 10-odd years, are now carrying on a courageous struggle for freedom, liberation and the country's reunification in defiance of their harsh fascist suppression unprecedented in history. The spearhead of their struggle is directed against traitor Pak Jung Hi to overthrow him. Various forms of struggles waged by the people of all walks of life merge into one strong current that will sweep away their system of fascist "revitalized" dictatorship.

Developments in south Korea confirm the fact that the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, who have indulged only in the treacherous acts against the nation to satisfy their ambition for power and enjoy personal honour and wealth as stooges of imperialism, are isolated thoroughly by the people and that no force on earth can break the people's strong will to down them.

The strife and antagonism within the puppet ruling circles are becoming more acute.

Economic crisis and social confusion are being aggravated to the extreme.

The fascist ruling forces in south Korea are isolated and rejected not only by the south Korean people but also by the honest-minded people throughout the world who treasure peace and democracy and are desirous of Korea's independent and peaceful reunification.

World public opinion is quite right in saying: "It is now Pak Jung Hi" who will follow in the footsteps of Lon Nol and Thieu. The downfall of Pak Jung Hi and his ilk concerns only question of time.

Driven into a tight corner, the Pak Jung Hi clique are trying hard to creep deeper into dens of their American and Japanese masters to find a shelter and thus prolong their days which are numbered, but to no avail.

Ours is an era of independence, the era in which the people continue to triumph in their liberation struggle while the imperialists and their minions are on the decline and falling to ruin.

The miserable end of the puppets in Phnom Penh and Saigon, who were intent on brandishing bayonets and playing with fire by pinning hopes, as on the Heaven, on the "commitments" and "help" of their American imperialist masters, affords a clear-cut testimony of the fact that the days have gone never to return when the south Korean puppets could keep themselves alive under the patronage of their masters.

The more the Pak Jung Hi clique intensify their "anti-communist" racket and fascist suppression with the "unity of public opinion" and "all-out security" on their lips, the faster it will bring destruction upon themselves.

Inevitable is the downfall of Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

Li Jip

Prescription Fit for Puppet Pak Jung Hi

CHIANG KAI-SHEK, LON NOL AND THIEU WERE ALL DOWNED. MY GOD! WHAT'LL BECOME OF ME?
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SORRY, YOU'RE IN SERIOUS CONDITION. I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO FOR YOU.
WHY! THIS'S A COFFIN.

Cartoon by Son Chang Hak

MAN-KILLER

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"US imperialism and its lackeys have greatly expanded the repressive apparatus while manufacturing all sorts of evil fascist laws and have thus covered the whole of south Korea with a military, police, intelligence and secret service network and turned the whole of south Korea into a living hell of terrorism and oppression. They are running wild to stamp out all the freedoms and democratic rights of the people and brutally suppressing the patriotic, democratic forces."

These words of the leader are aptly applied to man-killer Pak Jung Hi.

For 14 years since his advent to power this guy has been carrying out faithfully US imperialist colonial rule in south Korea, betraying the nation. To this end, he randomly arrested the innocent people and killed them.

During this period he cooked up more than 4,000 draconic laws, largely expanded the fascist suppressive machinery including the "CIA" and covered the whole of south Korea with a suppressive network involving 1.5 million men.

It is a well-known fact that between 1963 and 1966 alone, this traitor arrested, jailed or murdered some 800,000 revolutionaries and patriotic people every year.

The fascist atrocities perpetrated by man-killer Pak Jung Hi against the south Korean people became more undisguised after the so-called "October revitalization."

Last year notorious "emergency decrees" were let loose one after the other. There followed the fabrication of the "NFYSD (National Federation of Youth and Students for Democracy) case". Under it more than 4,000 patriotic-minded student youth, religious men and democrats were arrested and jailed. A military tribunal passed the death sentence or life imprisonment penalty on 30 persons.

History records Nero as a most atrocious human butcher. But the villainous, tyrannical acts of Pak Jung Hi excel tyrant Nero's. It is not without reason to say so. His medieval method of killing men is combined with the modern science and technology, savageness of US imperialism and Japanese imperialist brutalism employed in the days of Korean occupation.

Traitor Pak Jung Hi hesitates at no deed for his fortune and lust for power. In 1948 he denounced his elder brother to the US imperialists to kill him. In August last year, he let his agent shoot his wife with whom he lived for more than twenty years.

Now plunged into a critical position, he is feverishly stepping up fascist suppression against the people.

On April 8 this year, this traitor confirmed at a secret trial death sentence passed upon eight members of the People's Revolutionary Party who fought for the democratization of society and the country's independent, peaceful reunification. And on the following day he hurriedly executed them by hanging.

For fear of brutal tortures being disclosed, he committed the beastly act of burning the victims' bodies to ashes.

This coincided with the proclamation of the so-called "emergency decree No. 7", a new order of military suppression. Then he launched out on a terror campaign against students.

More recently traitor Pak Jung Hi cooked up a "spy case". He alleged that the "spies attempted to penetrate into religious circles and schools". Obviously the aim was, through this case, to intensify suppression and violence against schools and religious circles.

Gangster Pak Jung Hi's monstrous acts are nothing but last-minute manoeuvres of the man whose days are already numbered.

Now wrathful voices are ringing out from among bereaved families whose husbands and sons were killed by the enemy in cold blood.

Indignant students who attended a memorial service for their colleagues killed by the bandits with no reason, now emerge into the streets in the throes of resistance.

No matter how desperately traitor Pak Jung Hi may brandish bayonets, he will never escape the severe punishment by history and people. His downfall is inevitable.

Kim Un Myong

Miserable Puppets Cling to the Sleeves of Masters to Prolong Their Life

Today the internal and external situation is changing unfavourably for the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

Driven into a tight corner, they are desperately trying to find their way out in fascist oppression and war clamour.

Meanwhile, they are going headlong towards the road of dependency on foreign forces and national split, imploring the US imperialists to keep their aggressor troops in south Korea for ever.

This is borne out by the recent foreign tour of the south Korean puppets.

According to foreign dispatches, puppet "premier" Kim Jong Pil flew to Tokyo after his tour in some countries.

At a talk with Japanese Prime Minister and Foreign Minister on the 9th he called for prompt convocation of the "regular Japan-ROK ministerial conference", and it was reported that "principled agreement" on that score was reached.

This puppet guy also met on the evening of the 8th Chief Secretary of the Liberal Democratic Party and the former bosses of militarism, Eisaku Sato and Nobusuke Kishi at a restaurant in Tokyo. At this meeting he renewed "old friendship", the report said.

It was also reported that he stressed the need to "strengthen the Japan-ROK relations" and asked them to give both political and economic cooperation in "consolidating internal structure" in south Korea.

Simultaneously with this, Chong Il Gwon, puppet "chairman of the national assembly", was called to Washington by the US imperialist masters. He disgracefully implored Ford and Kissinger not to leave south Korea out in the cold but look after it to the end. Emboldened by his masters' encouraging words, this guy appeared before newsmen and blabbed that Ford and Kissinger "reassured and reclarified US commitment" to south Korea.

The shameful conducts of the two puppets in Tokyo and Washington show that the south Korean puppet clique still persist in confrontation with us and the perpetuation of national split, relying on "help" and "cooperation" of foreign forces and that they scheme to prolong their remaining days by keeping the country and people divided and selling south Korea right out to the foreign aggressors.

The recent tour of the south Korean puppets in the United States and Japan was organized in accordance with the strategical plan of the US imperialists, the plan that calls for directing the spearhead of aggression to Northeast Asia, to Korea in particular, and for keeping south Korea under their control and strengthening "triple military tie-up" between the United States, Japan and south Korea. In short, this is a product of their criminal policy of pushing forward preparations for aggressive war in Korea.

But this is a vain attempt.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"The present developments in Asia more vividly prove that the victory of the liberation struggle of the peoples and the downfall of the imperialists and their lackeys are a trend of our times, which no force can check."

The present era is the Juche era, the era of independence when the peoples once oppressed and humiliated are taking their place on the stage of history as masters, and the era of revolutionary change when imperialists and their lackeys are on the decline.

With no desperation, however, the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique can check the law-governed development of history—imperialism and its lackeys will perish and the people's liberation struggle will emerge victorious.

The Pak Jung Hi puppet clique will be certainly ruined for their treacherous acts and fascist oppression under the patronage of foreign forces and their manoeuvre of new war provocation.

Han Ho

US Imperialist Aggressors Must Quit S. Korea and Asia at Once

The US imperialists, who have suffered ignominious defeats in Indochina recently, are working madly to buttress their colonial ruling system now crumbling beyond retrieve in Asia and to step up their policies of aggression and war against Korea and Asia.

Reportedly, in his first interview with newsmen on the 6th after the drastic change in the Indochinese situation, Ford raved that the United States would strengthen the "ties" with Asian "allied nations", particularly, with the south Korean puppets and "pursue positive Asian policy".

On the 5th, Kissinger reiterated that they would "observe commitments" given to the south Korean puppets. With this he revealed the intention of US imperialism to put south Korea under its perpetual occupation.

Meanwhile, it is said that Schlesinger is soon to visit south Korea, Japan and Taiwan, accompanied by a "field investigation group" and brew plots for aggression and war with a view to working out on the spot concrete measures to realize the US imperialists' ambition of aggression on Korea and Asia.

The outpourings and moves of the bosses of US imperialism mean, in a nutshell, that the US imperialists stick as ever to their aggressive policy against Korea and Asia and that for this purpose they persist in their scheme for a new war.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"The United States wants to take hold on south Korea for ever as a major stronghold to save its colonial ruling system which is going into total bankruptcy in Asia."

Repeatedly hit hard by the revolutionary peoples in Asia, the US imperialists are hoping against hope to realize their ambition of aggression against Korea and Asia by seizing south Korea indefinitely as their major stronghold and by strengthening the "US-Japan security" system and the relations of the "US-Japan-south Korea triple military alliance".

What has to be specially mentioned here is that the "new Asian strategy" and "positive Asian policy" of the US imperialists are designed to cope with the present situation where the wars by proxy they had stepped up through their Asian puppets under the name of "Nixon doctrine" ended in shameful failure. In other words, theirs is a sinister strategy to ignite an aggressive war against Asian countries, especially, against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, by pushing their own armed forces to the fore.

With this in view, the US imperialists have recently beefed up their aggressive armed forces in south Korea and introduced large quantities of nuclear and other mass-destruction weapons and even reorganized their operational command system.

The burglarious nature of the US imperialists who try to maintain their colonial ruling system in Asia, prompted by their invariable aggressive ambition in this region, is also fully betrayed by Ford's remarks that the US would "strengthen the relations of cooperation" with the Philippines and other Asian countries.

The US imperialists are afraid that the Philippines and a series of other countries dislike to remain indefinitely as their "allied countries" to be used for their policy of aggression and war and want to take the road of independence. Now they are employing every conceivable means— pressure, conciliation, etc. — to keep them under their yoke.

In fact, the US imperialists are the very culprits who wreck peace in Asia and obstruct the independence, progress and independent development of the Asian peoples.

By no vile artifice and method, however, can the US imperialists curb the growth of socialist forces and national liberation movements in Asia and the trend of Asian peoples' independent development.

This is well proved by the chronicle of reverses in their policy of aggression in Asia since the Second World War.

If the US imperialists think that they can perpetuate their occupation of south Korea and, with it as a springboard, invade the whole of Korea and Asia by fulfilling their "commitments" to the south Korean puppet clique, that will be a foolish attempt, indeed.

No matter how desperately they may resort to their manoeuvres to perpetuate the division of Korea and unleash an aggressive war against the Korean people and to check the struggle of the Korean people for independent development, the US imperialists will be driven out of south Korea in the end.

If the US imperialists start a new war of aggression against the Korean and Asian peoples, they will be burnt to death in the flame of the war they themselves kindled.

The US imperialists, the aggressors, must get out of south Korea and all other areas of Asia at once with their aggressor troops and lethal weapons.

Min Pyong

Sri-Lanka Progresses

The third anniversary of the proclamation of a republic in Sri-Lanka, the national holiday of its people, falls on May 22.

Observing this day, we Korean people offer warm felicitations and greetings to the friendly people of Sri-Lanka, rejoicing as over our own over the successes they have scored in the struggle to increase the independence of their economy.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"Only when a nation builds an independent national economy can it secure political independence, make its country rich, strong and advanced, and achieve national prosperity."

Experience in life brought the people of Sri-Lanka the realization that they can consolidate their already-won national independence and maintain political independence firmly only when they achieve economic independence. Under the correct guidance of Prime Minister Sirima R.D. Bandaranike they have waged an energetic struggle to eliminate the evil aftereffects of colonial rule and build an independent national economy by displaying the spirit of self-reliance.

The government of Sri-Lanka took active measures to nationalize many foreign monopoly concerns which seized the country's economic artery and to restrict their business activities. As a result, the imperialists' foothold for plunder is quickly giving way, while the sector of the state-run economy is considerably widening to cover banking, transport, foreign trade and the key branches of manufacturing industry and its role is increasing still more.

In Sri-Lanka today 100 state-run companies keep under their control the main branches of the economy including foreign trade in tea and extracting and marketing of gems.

Thanks to the people's diligent labour efforts for the development of national industry, tea, rubber and coconut processing factories, textile mills, metallurgical plants, tyre factories, tractor repair plants, oil refineries and many other factories have been built. In particular, the recent few years have witnessed a conspicuous development of the small- and middle-scale industries. The number of small- and middle-scale factories has reached more than 700.

The Five-Year Plan for Economic Development (1972-1976) is now being carried out successfully in Sri-Lanka.

Great progress has been made in agriculture, too.

In the past only tropical crops and products for export, such as tea, rubber and coconut were grown. A struggle has been waged to do away with such colonial lopsidedness and develop agriculture in a diversified way, with the result that the output of the crops for staple food showed a marked growth. Last year 79 million bushels of rice were turned out.

After promulgating the law on agrarian reform, the government continues to push ahead with this reform. Its first stage ended last year and some 560,000 acres owned by landlords passed into the hands of the state.

Some time ago steps were taken to confiscate the lands which belonged to the British imperialists. The government already nationalized 20 British tea or rubber plantations in recent years.

More than 110 agricultural cooperatives were organized.

Such changes taking place in Sri-Lanka fully reflect the basic trends of the present era, an era of independence, and prove a serious blow to imperialists.

The US-led imperialists are now machinating to bar Sri-Lanka's independent advance against imperialism, but can never subdue the people of Sri-Lanka who are striving to create a new life, taking their destiny firmly into their own hands.

The people of Sri-Lanka advancing under the banner of independence and self-support have every promise of greater victory and success.

Chin Bang Hun

A part of university village in Sri-Lanka

Trade Agreement between Govts of DPRK and Kingdom of Morocco Signed

Talks between the government economic delegation of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the government economic delegation of the Kingdom of Morocco were held recently in Rabat, according to a report from Rabat.

At the end of the talks, an agreement on trade between the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco was concluded on May 2.

The agreement was signed, on behalf of our side, by head of the DPRK government economic delegation Li Tae Baek, Vice-Minister of Foreign Trade, and on behalf of the opposite side by Abdel Ladif Gbisasi, Minister of Foreign Trade, Industry, Mining and Marine Transport.

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